



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

December 10, 2004

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **10-Dec-04** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	73.00	72.50	65.50	76.50	72.08
Last week	73.00	72.50	65.50	76.50	72.08

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 10-Dec-04:

New York 78-82 **Chicago & Midwest** 70-75 **California** 107

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 06-Dec-04 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	148.3	384.6	165.9	284.8	237.6	1221.2	234.3	1455.5
% change PW	3	-4	35	22	3	8	-2	6

Breaking Stock **10-Dec-04** - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	28-30.5	25-29 M 26-28
Checks & Undergrades	15-21 M 15-17	12-18 M 13-16

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **04-Dec-04**.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,269,751	30,795	12,016	6,592	2,177	4,313
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,108,920	27,686	10,374	5,441	1,811	3,885
LAST YEAR	1,199,334	30,491	10,516	5,729	1,975	4,299
% CHANGE PWK	15	11	16	21	20	11
% CHANGE LY	6	1	14	15	10	0
TO-DATE 2004	59,534,785	1,416,596	572,302	309,163	127,686	204,683
TO-DATE 2003	56,116,750	1,380,863	504,876	274,734	109,158	200,549
% CHANGE YTD	6	3	13	13	17	2

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.30 **Previous Week:** 42.73 **Last Year:** 42.55

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.91 **Previous Week:** 39.23 **Last Year:** 38.97

National Liquid Eggs - 10-Dec-04 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	34	26-30.5	27.49	-.12
WHITES	22	25-27	26.36	-.18
YOLKS	8	47.5-51	49.69	1.61

Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 43 to 49 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 10-Dec-04 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot				Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern		Central		Eastern		South California ²	
Whole	36-43	M	37-39	37-42 M	37-39	44-48	43-46	
Blends ³	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT			59-80	-	
Whites	39-45	M	42-45	42-45 M	42-43	47-52	47-50	
Yolks ⁴								
Sugared	55-61	M	56-59	56-60 M	58-59	63-67	63-66	
Salted	53-58	M	55-57	54-57 M	56-57	58-65	61-64	

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 10-Dec-04 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.45-1.70	1.48-1.57
YOLKS	1.30-1.50	1.38-1.45
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.56-3.00	2.76-2.95
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.30-1.70	1.40-1.45

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 04-Dec-2004

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,413	This week	335	This week	1,748
Last week	796	Last week	288	Last week	1,084
Last year	1,399	Last year	250	Last year	1,649
To Date 2004	65,378	To Date 2004	11,691	To Date 2004	77,069
To Date 2003	68,079	To Date 2003	10,343	To Date 2003	78,422

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 27-Nov-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	509	0	38	547
Last year /1	358	0	40	398
To date 2004/2	17,364	36	773	18,173
To date 2003	15,869	96	551	16,516

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 27-Nov-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	34	44	38	116
Last year /1	90	57	0	147
To date 2004/2	7,371	1,516	2,033	10,920
To date 2003	5,073	3,516	1,179	9,768

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 27-Nov-04

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,100	2,300	1,026	6,037	0	10,463
Last year /1	50	1,970	2,848	3,200	4,500	0	12,568
To date 2004/2	392	163,887	333,461	115,348	319,481	16,790	949,359
To date 2003	504	33,818	129,883	60,706	180,062	14,222	419,195

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

Monthly Inventory U.S. Dried Eggs of 30-Nov-04. (Released 10-Dec-04. Next release = 07-Jan-05)

CLASS	Pounds	***% Change Last Month	***% Change Last Year
WHOLE			
PLAIN	2,242,343	-5	219
FREE FLOWING	4,236,882	-16	115
BLEND	1,361,542	2	45
WHITE			
(ALBUMEN)	6,879,787	10	52
BLEND	50,600	-32	-39
YOLK			
PLAIN	862,812	-21	-12
BLEND	15,887	46	-51
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	3,298,898	-22	-9
TOTAL	18,948,751	-7	47

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:

OCTOBER 31, 2004 - NOVEMBER 27, 2004

TOTAL 8,380,000 POUNDS.

Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.

SHELL EGGS BROKEN DOWN 1 PERCENT

released December 8, 2004

Shell eggs broken = 165 million dozen during October 2004, down 1% from October 2003. October 2004 contained 21 weekdays (including one holiday) and five Saturdays, compared to 23 weekdays (including one holiday) and four Saturdays in October 2003.

Shell Eggs Broken: Federally Inspected, United States, October 2003-04

Month & Region	Eggs Broken	Edible Liquid Whole	Edible Liquid White	Edible Liquid Yolk	Edible Liquid Total	Inedible Liquid
October 2004: United States	(1,000 Dozen) 164,853	(1,000 Pounds) 131,668	(1,000 Pounds) 53,289	(1,000 Pounds) 28,280	(1,000 Pounds) 213,237	(1,000 Pounds) 18,445
October 2003: United States	166,721	138,981	48,124	25,744	212,849	19,190

Egg Products Inspected: Shell Eggs Broken and Products Produced, United States, January - October 2003-04

Period	Eggs Broken	Edible Liquid Whole	Edible Liquid White	Edible Liquid Yolk	Edible Liquid Total	Inedible Liquid
January 1, 2004-October 31 2004	(1,000 Dozen) 1,604,885	(1,000 Pounds) 1,276,223	(1,000 Pounds) 513,658	(1,000 Pounds) 274,408	(1,000 Pounds) 2,064,289	(1,000 Pounds) 180,249
January 1, 2003 - October 31, 2003	1,528,561	1,240,728	462,663	246,892	1,950,283	181,362

Data presented in this report were compiled from inspection reports of the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). The best available data at time of publication was used. For information on "Egg Products" call Tom Kruchten at 202-6904870, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., ET.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 599,000 pounds of whole eggs -- to be produced from about 15,000 cases of shell eggs -- at a cost of approximately \$225,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds	Awarded Prices Inv. No. 13	No. of Bids Accepted
5-pound cartons	240,000	\$0.4165-\$0.4383	1 of 4
bulk tankers	240,000	\$0.3147	1 of 4
30-pound containers	119,000	\$0.3879	1 of 4

It is also announced that the purchase program for whole eggs is nearing completion.

Next offers under Announcement PY-284 are due by 12 noon, Central Time, on the following date:

Inv. Number	Product Type	Offer Date	Acceptance Not Later Than Date	Delivery Period
14	5-pound cartons and bulk tankers	Dec. 20	Dec. 23 **Thursday**	Feb. 1-15, 2005

Total purchases of whole eggs since the program was announced on May 19 follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
5-pound cartons	5,163,000	\$ 2,790,000
bulk tankers	6,432,000	\$ 2,937,000
30-pound containers	515,000	\$ 256,000

The awards for whole eggs made today under Announcement PY-284, Invitation 13, to be delivered from Feb. 1 to Feb. 15, 2005, follow:

30-pound Containers

Sonstegard Foods Co. 118,800 @ \$0.3879

5-pound Cartons

Sonstegard Foods Co. 240,120 @ \$0.4165-\$0.4383

**Silver Wolf Enterprises 80,040 @ \$0.4343

Bulk Tankers

Sonstegard Foods Co. 240,120 @ \$0.3147

**In addition, on November 18, the following awards were made under the Small Business Administration's 8(a) program:

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.